Public Workshop Series 2 Response Form

As we continue this planning process, it is helpful to determine where it is that citizens, visitors, and
property owners feel the Bear Lake CMP proposed sovereign lands classifications should be located. To
facilitate this, we have developed a map of these locations for your consideration. Please use this Work-
shop Response Form to tell us your views concerning these locations, as well as any suggestions you have
pertaining to the preliminary issues, goals, and objectives statements distributed at this workshop. If you
need more space, feel free to attach additional sheets to this form. If you need more time, please mail this
response form to Christopher Sands, BIO-WEST, Inc. 1063 West 1400 North, Logan, Utah 84321 by
Friday, October 3, 2008. Thanks again for your participation!

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BEAR LAKE COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN PROJECT Public Workshop #2 September 23, 2008: Garden City Offices Conference Building September 24, 2008: Quality Inn Wasatch Room 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Greetings

Welcome to the Bear Lake Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP) Project public workshop. We are glad you could attend and look forward to receiving your input on this important effort. This is the second in a series of three public workshops that will be held during the planning process to establish criteria and direction for management of Utah State sovereign lands at Bear Lake. The purpose of the CMP is to identify issues and concerns relative to the sovereign lands and resources at Bear Lake and propose management alternatives to address those concerns.

Each public workshop is designed to facilitate your input, which will guide the development of the CMP document. At this workshop we will make an approximately 20-minute-long presentation to familiarize you with the existing situation and preliminary issues, goals, and objectives for the CMP study area. In addition, you will find a series of informational maps around the room identifying study area resources and other existing conditions. The primary purpose of this workshop is to receive your input on recommended sovereign lands classifications. During the remaining time of the workshop, you will be given the opportunity to ask questions provide us with your suggestions.

Please listen carefully to the presentation and take the time to familiarize yourself with the information included in this handout. Most importantly, let us know which sovereign lands classifications and locations are important to you by filling out the *Workshop Response Form* included in this handout. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask members of the Project Team who are here to

listen to and answer your questions. Thanks again for participating!

Bear Lake CMP Resource Inventory and Suitability Analyses

Over the past several months, consultant staff have been gathering existing data pertaining to the CMP Planning Unit such as existing reports, inventories, plans, studies, maps, and databases. This information has identified such resources as State Park lands, land ownership, wildlife habitat, adjacent zoning and land uses, public access points, boat ramps, and special use permit locations. Additional field work was conducted to collect some specific information that was not readily available, including current vegetation cover and important fish habitat locations. These data have been used to determine the suitability of sovereign lands for particular uses within the CMP Planning Unit. Resource suitability analyses involve matching the requirements for a given use or activity with the appropriate CMP Planning Unit locations, given the inherent resource constraints. Thus the resource suitability analyses will promote decisions that are consistent with adjacent land uses, minimize user conflicts, and protect sensitive environmental resources.

Note: For information on the Bear Lake CMP Framework, Planning Unit, Sovereign Lands Classifications, or Multiple-Use Framework, please see the public workshop #1 handout.



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Initial Sovereign Lands Classifications (1983)

The last time the Utah State Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands (FFSL) evaluated proposed sovereign lands classifications for Bear Lake was in 1983. At that time, the proposed initial sovereign land classifications were based on existing local, state, and regional planning documents identifying existing uses and known resource locations. A map showing the locations of the initial sovereign lands classifications from 1983 is provided separately at this workshop.

Proposed Sovereign Lands Classifications (2008)

As part of the current CMP planning process, proposed sovereign lands classifications (2008) have been developed by consultant staff. These recommendations were based on current planning documents, public and agency comments provided to date, and the preliminary issues, goals, and objectives statements developed during the first workshop series. The location and amount of area for each proposed sovereign lands classification are shown in Figure 1.

Additional Management Recommendations (2008)

A number of recommended management actions that were derived from the preliminary goals and objectives statements are proposed for the Bear Lake CMP Planning Unit, but they do not lend themselves to mapping. These include:

- improving communication and information dissemination between agencies and stakeholders
- establishing and/or continuing beneficial partnerships and collaborations with resource agencies and stakeholders for management of sovereign lands resources

- diminishing water quality threats from sovereign lands
- coordinating sovereign lands management with water operations
- providing safe and quality recreational opportunities and minimizing conflicts
- providing adequate recreational support facilities that meet demands
- protecting and managing scenic and cultural resources
- controlling and managing noxious and invasive weeds, pests, and aquatic nuisances
- protecting and enhancing the quality of the fishery
- protecting and enhancing important native vegetation and wildlife habitat areas
- allowing for appropriate vegetation management
- providing appropriate and safe access to public use areas
- facilitating appropriate special use permitting and leases on sovereign lands
- continuing sovereign lands boundary settlements
- maintaining minerals withdrawal on sovereign lands







Sovereign Lands Classifications

County Roads State Boundary Contour 5902 (Approx.) Contour 5923 (Approx.) Utah State Park Lands



Figure 1. Bear Lake CMP Proposed Sovereign Lands Classifications 2008

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